THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Cantonment Land Administration Rules; 1925 and 1937 were framed under the provisions of Cantonments Act, 1924. These rules contain procedure for management of land, maintenance of land records, reclassification of land, grant of leases for various types and fixing of rent and premium as per Standard Table of Rent. No rent or premium is chargeable as per Standard Table of Rent in respect of old grant properties including Class B-3 land.

(b) The conditions ci? lease govern the transfer of lease hold rights from one lessee to the other. In case of death of a lessee, the transfer takes place by way of normal rules of inheritance, succession, testamentary or otherwise.

(c) Probate is required only in cases of unregistered wills in the event of death of a lessee.

(d) and (e) No, Sir.

(f) and (g) The cantonment authorities recover rent from the lessees of the leased sites as per the terms of lease deeds. As such, there is no question of loss of Government revenue.

Use of defence sensitive areas for films

3139. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have formed any rule in declaring defence sensitive areas "prohibited areas ";

(b) whether it is a fact that large number of prohibited areas under defence control are regularly hired out for film movies and serials;

(c) whether it is also a fact that such permissions are granted on stipulated charges;

(d) the total amount received by Defence Ministry during the last three years from the private users of Defence Prohibited Areas;

(e) whether it is also a fact that the rental is collected in the name of "President's Fund"; and

(f) if so, what are the details of the "President's Fund" and the areas where the fund is used"?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Defence areas are prohibited areas as per the provisions of Sec. 2 (8) of the Official Secretes Act, 1923.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. No defence premises are rented out for film shootings. As per regulations, defence assistance including permission for location shooting in non-vital/ non-seasitive areas for production of film/T. V. serials may be provided in cases where the script is approved as enhancing the image of the defence forces. The assistance is provided on payment of stipulated charges.

(d) Does not arise in view of reply to parts (b) & (c) above. ,

(e) No, Sir. The charges for providing assistance are deposited in the Government account.

(f) Does not arise in view of reply to part (e) above.

Repairing of Coast Guard Vessels

3140. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of Base Repair Organisations, established for repairs of coast guard vessels;

(b) whether it is a fact that there had been inordinate delay in establishing a "Base Repair Organisation" in eastern sector thereby incurring avoidable expenditure; and

(c) whether it is also a fact that the East Coast Vessels were repaired at commercial centres?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) So far, no Base Repair Organisation has been established for repair of Coast Guard Vessels.

(b) The building earmarked for the BRO at Madras belonged to Tamil Nadu Fisheries Department. Due to administrative delays, the

building along with the land could be acquired only in April 1989. The building needed extensive modifications and civil works to suit the requirements of the Coast Guard. The delay was farther aggravated due to non-availability of acid tiles and the need for modification of trusses. As a result, the civil works could be completed only by March 1993. The building was taken over by Coast Guard in July, 1993.

(c) Since Coast Guard has no repair yard of its own, repair and maintenance of Coast Guard Vessels is done at public sector and commercial shipyards on a competitive basis.

Establishment of Hindustan Russia Aeroplane Manufacturing and Maintenance Private Ltd.

3141. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Hindustan Russia Aeroplane Manufacturing and Maintenance Private Limited is going to be established in the near future; and

(b) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF DEFENCE (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) and (b) An agreement on formation of a joint venture company, to be named "INDO-RUSSIAN AVIATION PVT. LTD.", by Hindustan Aeronautics Limited (HAL) and Industrial Credit and Investment Corporation of India (ICICI) alongwith certain Russian organisations was signed in Mosco on 30 June, 1994. The scope of activities of the joint venture company covers warehousing of aviation stores and servicing, repair, modification, etc. of aeronautical equipment.

Excessive Involvement of ET&T in Litigation

3142. SHRI E. BALANANDAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Electronics Trade and Technology Development Corporation has a number of litigation against employees and private companies;

(b) whether it is also a fact that the corporation spends huge amount towards legal expenses;

(c) the details of cases pending against employees and other firms and expenses incurred toward the same during the last five years;

(d) the reasons of such a high number of litigations and also the steps taken by the management and Government to minimise the litigation; and

(e) whether it is also a fact that the ET&T Corporation does not have any legal department and for every small matter, legal opinion sought by paying huge amount to one legal consultant, who has also influenced the ET&T management and got appointed his relatives in ET&T, if so, the details of amount paid to the legal consultant since last ten years?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF CHEMICALS & FERTILIZERS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, DEPARTMENTS OF ELECTRONICS AND OCEAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI EDUARDO FALEIRO): (a) Yes, Sir. Electronics Trade & Development Corporation Limited have filed cases to recover the dues from the defaulting parties after consultation with Legal Advisor. ET&T has not filed any suit/ case against any employee of Corporation.

(b) No, Sir. Normal legal expenses are incurred by the Corporation.

(d) The details of cases against defaulting parties filed by the Corporation are given in the Annexed Statement (See below). The legal expenses incurred by the ET&T during the last five years are given below:

Year	Amount (Rs.)
1992-93	3,70,014/-
1991-92	1,21,185/-
1990-91	1,20,597/-
1989-90	62,377/-
1988-89	80,442/-